

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims (~~strikethrough~~ and [[]] indicating deletion and underline indicating insertion) as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A pet enclosure comprising a frame formed of a substantially rigid, non-porous material; and a flexible, non-porous material woven onto said frame~~[[.]]~~, wherein the frame comprises a plurality of panels and wherein one of the panels defines an opening in which a door is pivotally mounted.

2. (Currently Amended) The enclosure of Claim 1, wherein the ~~frame comprises a~~ plurality of panels ~~are~~ generally flat, rectangular panels.

3. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 2, wherein the panels are pivotally connected to one another to allow folding of the enclosure into a compact configuration and assembly of the enclosure into an assembled configuration without separation of the panels from one another.

4. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 3, wherein the enclosure is substantially flat in the compact configuration.

5. (Currently Amended) The enclosure of Claim 2, wherein ~~one of the panels defines an opening in which a~~ the door is pivotally mounted to swing both inwardly and outwardly.

6. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 5, further comprising a latch for securing said door in a closed position and in an open position.

7. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 6, wherein the latch secures said door in an inwardly open position within the enclosure.

8. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 1, wherein the substantially rigid, non-porous material of the frame is a metal wire.

9. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 1, wherein the flexible, non-porous material woven onto said frame is a plastic having the appearance of natural rattan or wicker.

10. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 1, comprising a floor panel supported a distance above an underlying support surface.

11. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 10, wherein the floor panel comprises at least one channel for receiving a cooperating portion of said frame.

12. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 11, wherein the floor panel comprises a plurality of channels or grooves configured to receive a plurality of cooperating frame portions therein, and wherein one or more of the plurality of channels or grooves is/are angularly offset from one or more other channels or grooves, so that the floor panel resists movement in all directions.

13. (Currently Amended) A pet enclosure comprising a plurality of panels, each panel comprising a substantially rigid frame and a plastic material ~~having the appearance of natural rattan or wicker~~ woven onto said frame and having the appearance of natural rattan or wicker and wherein at least one panel defines an opening therein in which a door is pivotally mounted.

14. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 13, wherein the plurality of panels are pivotally connected to one another to allow folding of the enclosure into a compact configuration and assembly of the enclosure into an assembled configuration without separation of the panels from one another.

15. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 13, wherein one of the plurality of panels defines an opening in which a door is pivotally mounted to swing both inwardly and outwardly.

16. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 15, further comprising a latch for securing said door in a closed position and in an open position.

17. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 16, wherein the latch secures said door in an inwardly open position within the enclosure.

18. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 13, comprising a floor panel supported a distance above an underlying support surface.

19. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 18, wherein the floor panel comprises at least one channel for receiving a cooperating portion of said frame.

20. (Original) A pet enclosure comprising an opening in which a door is pivotally mounted to swing both inwardly and outwardly, and further comprising a latch for securing said door in a closed position and in an open position.

21. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 20, wherein the latch secures said door in an inwardly open position within the enclosure.

22. (Previously Presented) A pet enclosure comprising a plurality of legs for supporting said pet enclosure a distance above an underlying support surface; and
a removable floor panel, wherein the floor panel comprises a channel for receiving a cooperating portion of said pet enclosure.

23. (Original) A pet enclosure comprising a frame and a removable floor panel, the floor panel comprising at least one channel for receiving a cooperating portion of said frame.

24. (Currently Amended) The enclosure of Claim 23, wherein the floor panel comprises a plurality of channels or grooves configured to receive a plurality of cooperating frame portions therein, and wherein one or more of the plurality of channels or grooves ~~[[is/]]~~ are angularly offset from one or more other channels or grooves, so that the floor panel resists movement in all directions.

25. (Currently Amended) A pet enclosure comprising:

a base portion;

a first side panel hingedly connected to the base portion;

a second side panel hingedly connected to the base portion;

a first end panel hingedly connected to the base portion;

a second end panel hingedly connected to the base portion; and

a top panel hingedly connected to at least one panel selected from said side and said end panels, and wherein at least one of said panels comprise a substantially rigid frame and a plastic material ~~having the appearance of natural rattan or wicker~~ woven on said frame and having the appearance of natural rattan or wicker.

26. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 25, wherein a hinge connection between a first of said panels and the base portion is offset from a hinge connection between a second of said panels and the base portion to permit the panels to fold into a compact configuration.

27. (Original) The enclosure of Claim 25, wherein short connector links are interposed between one or more of said panels and the base portion to permit the panels to fold into a compact configuration.